

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Interview 8/14/2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-31 (renumbered as per Issue Classification Sheet).
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date attached.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

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PRIMARY EXAMINER

August 14, 2007

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

a. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

b. Authorization for item **c** of this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ann McCrackin on August 15, 2007 (attached).

Authorization for item **d** of this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ann McCrackin on March 6, 2007 (mailed March 14, 2007).

c. The application has been amended as follows: Please amend claims 1, 6, and 11 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method comprising displaying line-formatted materials on a screen display in two or more adjacent columns, wherein the columns are arranged on a single page displayed to a user, wherein the columns remain fixed to the single page while scrolling through the line-formatted materials, wherein lines of each column are adjusted while scrolling by spilling from the bottom of one column to the top of an adjacent column, or from the top of one column to the bottom of an adjacent column.

6. (Currently Amended) A method comprising displaying Scripting language encoded line-formatted materials under the control of a web browser such that the line-formatted materials are displayed under control of the web browser in two or more adjacent columns of a screen display, wherein the columns are arranged on a single page displayed to a user, wherein the columns remain fixed to the single page while scrolling through the line-formatted materials, wherein lines of each column are adjusted while scrolling by spilling from the bottom

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of one column to the top of an adjacent column, or from the top of one column to the bottom of an adjacent column.

11. (Currently Amended) A method comprising encoding line-formatted materials to be displayed using a web browser with one or more Scripting language codes that specify to the web browser that the line-formatted materials are to be displayed in two or more adjacent columns that remain fixed to a single page while scrolling through the line-formatted material, wherein lines of each column are adjusted while scrolling by spilling from the bottom of one column to the top of an adjacent column, or from the top of one column to the bottom of an adjacent column.

d. The application has been further amended as follows: in regard to Applicant's instant specification, please replace the sentence on page 6 spanning lines 15 to 18 with the following:

Where the control is provided in software, the software may be encoded in any storage medium such as but not limited to RAM, magnetic or optical storage media, or in, for example, a computer system or network.

e. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to William L. Bashore whose telephone number is (571) 272-4088. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00 am - 5:30 pm EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Doug Hutton can be reached on (571) 272-4137. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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f. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free). If you would like assistance from a USPTO Customer Service Representative or access to the automated information system, call 800-786-9199 (IN USA OR CANADA) or 571-272-1000.

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